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#### Possible Pollutants

- Fine-grained sediment
- Organics
- Oil & Grease
- Trash
- Road Salt
- Metals
- Toxins

#### Good Housekeeping

- Temporary covers/tarps
- Employee/Contractor Training
- Proper cleanup and disposal procedures
- Dry cleaning methods
- Stormwater retrofits

#### Related Procedures

- Heavy Equipment/Vehicle Maintenance
- Large Outdoor Festivals and Events
- Spill Prevention and Response
- Street Sweeping
- Vehicle Fueling

SOP - 15

# Street Sweeper Cleaning & Sweepings Disposal

## Description

The operation & maintenance of street sweepers, if not conducted properly, can contribute to stormwater pollution. Pollutants, such as sediments, oil and trash may be picked up by rain and end up in local waterways, affecting the environment. All sweeper waste must be disposed of properly: take waste directly to a permanent disposal site, or to a secure temporary storage area.

The goal of this Standard Operation Procedure (SOP) is to provide guidance for municipal employees to help prevent stormwater pollution. If services are contracted, this SOP should be provided to the Contractor. The contract should specify that the Contractor is responsible for compliance with all applicable laws.

## Procedures

### Sweeper Wash Out

- Follow Heavy Equipment & Vehicle Maintenance procedure for washing procedures.

### Sweepings Disposal

- Do not empty sweeper hoppers, even temporarily, onto areas near storm drains or surface water bodies or where wind or rain could wash the debris into the storm sewer system or scatter the debris.
- Dispose of sweeper debris at a designated dump site. Temporary storage area for debris should be protected from wind, rain and surface runoff (when applicable).
- If unusual sweeping materials are identified, contact your supervisor for evaluation and proper disposal.
- Disposed of properly any swept dirt or debris from traffic accidents.

## Employee Training

Train applicable employees on this SOP, including information on how to avoid and report spills. Conduct refresher training periodically.

## Records

The following records could be used to document activities performed: Employee's training sign-in sheet.





